



The Newsletter of the Nashoba Valley Weavers' Guild PO Box 50, Harvard MA 01451

October Program October 28, 7 pm

Judith Shangold presents her new book Weave-Knit-Wear at the Fiber Loft, Harvard, MA



Join us as our own Judith Shangold presents her new book Weave-Knit-Wear, and talks about weaving clothing on a rigid heddle loom. You don't need a large loom to make garments! Judith will be bringing along some of the items featured in the book.

Social time, refreshments and time to view guild library items begins at 7 pm. A brief business meeting, followed by the evening's program will begin at 7:30pm.

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Guild Challenge – Weave it and Wear it

Our theme the year is "Weave it and Wear it". The challenge is to make something with at least one seam. It can be anything from a bag to a fitted garment.



DUES ARE DUE!

It's that time of year again. Dues remain at \$25. Checks should be made payable to NVWG. Laura Busky will collect at the October meeting, or you can mail directly to her at 96 South St, Berlin MA 01503. You may also mail them to the guild post office box at PO Box 50, Harvard, MA 01451. Anyone who doesn't renew by the October meeting will miss out on official guild mailings.

CONVERGENCE

This past July, the Handweavers' Guild of America brought their bi-annual National Conference, Convergence, to Providence, RI. It had been quite some time since Convergence had been held in the Northeast. A number of our guild members took advantage of the close proximity, signing up for classes and tours and spending the week in RI.

A group of our members chose to go for a day, just to take in the experience. On July 17th, we hired a 14 person van to take us there. In order to fill the van, we invited weavers from other guilds to come along. Such fun was had, meeting new people and catching up with good friends. We saw the exhibits, shopped the vendor hall, found a nice place for lunch, and shopped some more. There almost wasn't enough time to see everything before the close of the day, but we managed! The ride home was a bit more cramped since everyone had purchases to bring home with them. And we raised a little bit of money from van collections to put towards a fun program for the guild! Any suggestions?

Used Looms and Equipment

Looms:

60" Leclerc Colonial jack or counter-balance. 8 harnesses, flying shuttle, sectional warp beam and double warp beam. All instructions included. \$1500.00 lisa_white115@hotmail.com

Macomber Ad-A-Harness 48" Large Mac Ioom, with 8 harnesses and 10 treadles; able to expand to 10 harnesses. Built in 1980, in very good working order. I have been weaving on it for 6+ years. Comes with 12, 5 and 4 dent reeds, and many heddles; no other equipment. Ready to use. \$1000, negotiable. I am selling in order to buy a smaller loom. For more information on the cost, capabilities and manufacturing of this loom, see the Macomber Loom website. I can e-mail images of this loom if you want a closer look.

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Events

New York Sheep and Wool, October 18-19 2014, http://www.sheepandwool.com/

Fiber Festival of New England, November 1-2, 2014. http://www.thebige.com/ese/ESEEvents/Fiber Festival.asp

2014-2015 Programs

December 2: Woven Basket Ornaments, presented by Carol Vales.

January 27, 2015: Meghan Boemer, professional costume designer.

February 24, 2015 : Susan Targove, Designing Tartans.

March 24, 2015: Reba Maisel or Penny Lacroix, Weaver's Poker, Designing Warps.

April 28, 2015: Diane Fagan Affleck, Comfort and Style.

May 26 2015 : Laurie Autio, Japanese Textiles

June 23, 2015 : Guild Challenge, Annual Meeting, Potluck

Check out our new Website!

The Guild's website has been completely revamped and implemented with Wordpress. Check it out at http://www.nvwg.org/. Enter your email on the right sidebar to subscribe to get email notifications of posts. All Guild members are welcome (and encouraged!) to post to the home page blog, but you need to be added. To be added as a contributor, just email Penny, Kathy or Laura.

Guild Library

A listing of the books and magazines owned by the guild is located at: http://www.nvwg.org/library.html

NVWG Officers

Reba Maisel, At Large
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Carol Vales, Hospitality
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